PUB-NO: DE019909390C1

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: DE 19909390 C1

TITLE: Laser powder deposition head, useful for tool

or

component coating or repair, rapid prototyping

or rapid

tooling processes, has a radially symmetrical

flow

calming channel arrangement between a swirl

chamber and

an annular outlet gap

PUBN-DATE: November 9, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME COUNTRY

NOWOTNY, STEFFEN DE SCHAREK, SIEGFRIED DE

ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

NAME COUNTRY

FRAUNHOFER GES FORSCHUNG DE

APPL-NO: DE19909390

APPL-DATE: March 4, 1999

PRIORITY-DATA: DE19909390A (March 4, 1999)

INT-CL (IPC): B23K026/34

EUR-CL (EPC): B23K026/14

ABSTRACT:

CHG DATE=20010403 STATUS=N>A $\underline{\textbf{laser}}$ powder deposition $\underline{\textbf{head,}}$ has a radially

symmetrical arrangement of flow calming channels (2) between a powder/gas **swirl**

chamber (1) and an annular outlet gap (14). A \underline{laser} processing \underline{head} has a

radially symmetrical arrangement of cylindrical calming channels (2)

which are

parallel to the $\underline{\textbf{laser}}$ beam longitudinal axis and which are located between a

powder/gas stream $\underline{\mathbf{swirl}}$ chamber (1) and an annular gap (14) forming a coaxial

hollow jet directed onto a workpiece surface. An Independent claim is also

included for a surface treatment process employing the above $\underline{\mathtt{laser}}$ processing

head.